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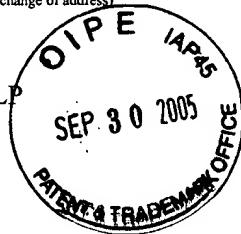
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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHODS FOR PRODUCING AMINO ACIDS IN CORYNEFORM BACTERIA USING AQN ENHANCED SIGC GENE

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